## 1900, ch. 156, sec. 196A.

444. The Mayor and Town Council of the town of Oakland shall have full power and authority to contract with or grant unto any other corporate body, individuals or partnership the right of franchise within the limits of said town for the purpose of operating a passenger railway, water works, or the operation of electric light plant, the granting of said franchises to be regulated by the ordinances of said Mayor and Town Council, and they are hereby empowered to pass all such ordinances as may be necessary to put in operation the provisions of this statute, and also to grant, by ordinances or otherwise, the right to lay conduits or water mains through the streets of said town, and authority is hereby given said Mayor and Town Council to condemn private property, if the same should become necessary for the operation of the aforesaid franchises; said condemnation proceeding to be in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland as now in force, and also to construct, purchase and operate an electric light plant or water works for the benefit of the town whenever in their judgment the interest of said town demands the same, and they shall have power to pass all such ordinances as may be necessary to carry into effect the last provision of this section.

1900, ch. 156, sec. 196B.

445. The Mayor and Town Council of the town of Oakland shall have full power and authority to contract with corporations, partnerships or individuals for the purchase and supplying of incandescent light.\*

## Water and Sewerage System.

1908, ch. 677, sec. 1 (p. 838).

For the purpose of establishing, constructing and maintaining water works capable of furnishing the residents of said town with a good and sufficient supply of water for ordinary purposes and for fire protection and for establishing, erecting, constructing and maintaining a sewerage system in said town for drainage and sewerage purposes, the Mayor and Town Council of Oakland be and they are hereby authorized and empowered and directed to issue bonds in the name of the Mayor and Town Council of Oakland to an amount not exceeding \$60,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid. The said bonds shall be for sums not less than \$1,000.00 each, nor more than \$1,000.00 each, to be signed by the Mayor and President of the Town Council and countersigned by the clerks of the said Town Council with the corporate seal of said town thereto be affixed, bearing interest at not more than five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually in each and every year and dated on the first day of their issue. The said bonds shall be numbered serially. Bond No. 1 shall be due and payable two (2) years from date of issue, and thereafter each bond shall mature and be payable each consecutive year from the maturity of Bond No. 1 in the order of their

<sup>\*</sup>Sec. 196C, ch. 156, 1900, repealed all laws inconsistent therewith.